

To request a Time Extension (TE) or Alternative Diversion Requirement (ADR), please complete and sign this request sheet and return it to your Office of Local Assistance (OLA) representative at the address below, along with any additional information requested by OLA staff. When all documentation has been received, your OLA representative will work with you to prepare for your appearance before the Board. If you have any questions about this process, please call (916) 341-6199 to be connected to your OLA representative.

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General Instructions:

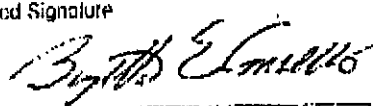
For a Time Extension complete Sections I, II, III-A, IV-A, and V.

For an Alternative Diversion Requirement complete Sections I, II, III-B, IV-B and V.

Section I: Jurisdiction Information and Certification

All respondents must complete this section.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information in this document is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of:

Jurisdiction Name County of Solano		County Solano	
Authorized Signature 		Title Director of Environmental Management Dept.	
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Section II—Cover Sheet

This cover sheet is to be completed for each Time Extension (TE) or Alternative Diversion Requirement (ADR) requested.

1. Eligibility

Has your jurisdiction filed its Source Reduction and Recycling Element, Household Hazardous Waste Element, and Nondisposal Facility Element with the Board (must have been filed by July 1, 1998 if you are requesting an ADR)?

☐ No. If no, stop; not eligible for a TE or ADR.

☒ Yes. If yes, then eligible for a TE or ADR.

2. Specific Request and Length of Request

Please specify the request desired.

☒ Time Extension Request

Specific years requested 2002, 2003, 2004

Is this a second request? ☒ No ☐ Yes Specific years requested

(Note: Requests for an additional extension will need to address why the jurisdiction's efforts to meet the 50% goal by the end of the first extension were not successful.)

☐ Alternative Diversion Requirement Request (Not allowed for Regional Agencies).

Specific ADR requested %, for the years

Is this a second ADR request? ☐ No ☐ Yes Specific ADR requested %, for the years

(Note: Requests for an additional ADR will need to address why the jurisdiction's efforts to meet 50% by the end of the first ADR period were not successful.)

Note: Extensions may be requested anytime by a jurisdiction, but will only be effective in the years from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 2006. An original request for a TE/ADR may be granted for any period up to three years and subsequent requests for TE/ADR may extend the original request or be based on new circumstances but the total number of years for all requests cannot total more than five years or extend beyond January 1, 2006.

Section IIIA—TIME EXTENSION

Within this section, discuss your jurisdiction's progress in implementing diversion programs that were planned to achieve 50%. Provide any additional information that demonstrates "good faith effort." The CIWMB shall determine your jurisdiction's progress in demonstrating "good faith effort" towards complying with AB 939. Note: The answers to each question should be comprehensive and provide specific details regarding the jurisdiction's situation.

Attach additional sheets if necessary—please reference each response to the appropriate cell number (e.g., IIIA-1).

1. Why does your jurisdiction need more time to meet the 50% goal? Describe why SRRE selected programs did not achieve 50% diversion. Identify barriers to meeting the 50% goal and briefly indicate how they will be overcome.

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SEE ATTACHED.

2. Why does your jurisdiction need the amount of time requested? Describe any relevant circumstances in the jurisdiction that contribute to the need for a Time Extension.

SEE ATTACHED.

3. Describe your jurisdiction's Good Faith Efforts to implement the programs in its SRRE.

SEE ATTACHED.

4. Provide any additional relevant information that supports the request.

Section IIIA-Time Extension

IIA-1

The County of Solano currently lacks franchise agreements in all but one small area in Vallejo. Due to this, the County has had no reasonable means to require regular reporting by the haulers to demonstrate residential participation of the recycling services they provide. These services, as outlined in the approved SRRE, are: residential curbside, special collections seasonal, residential curbside greenwaste, and curbside collection of used oil/filters. As a result, staff is unable to target the direction of outreach.

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Thus, the County of Solano requests additional time to meet its 50% diversion in order to review the levels of service being provided by the five different haulers and establish formal contracts or MOUs with each of them to include reporting clauses that would significantly impact diversion requirements. By doing so, the County will better quantify recycling participation rates which will determine the direction of public outreach campaigns and thereby reduce the overall waste stream to the landfills.

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The County of Solano has continued to demonstrate its good faith effort in compliance with AB939 through the coordination and implementation of the following annual programs and events: backyard composting classes and compost bin give-aways, gas mower trade-ins for electric mulching mowers, coast and creek cleanups, and earth day celebrations promoting beverage recycling and litter abatement.

In addition, the County is in the process of revamping its school field trips' program to a web-based teacher on-line registration that requires schools to learn of its own garbage and recycling services as well as a new on-line recycling guide to provide more accurate and real-time information about services throughout the County.

Section IV A—PLAN OF CORRECTION

A Plan of Correction is required by PRC Section 41820(a)(6)(B). The plan is fundamentally a description of the actions the jurisdiction will take to meet the 50% goal by the expiration of the Time Extension.

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Residential %		43	Non-residential %		57
PROGRAM TYPE	NEW or EXPAND	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	FUNDING SOURCE	DATE FULLY COMPLETED	ESTIMATED PERCENT DIVERSION
Please use the Board's Program Types. The Program Glossary is online at: www.ciwmmb.ca.gov/1,6Central/FARIS/Codes/Reduce.htm					
Residential Curbside	Expand	See Attached.	Haulers	06/04	2
Special Collections Seasonal	Expand	See Attached.	Haulers	06/04	2
Residential Curbside - Green	Expand	See Attached.	Haulers	06/04	1
School Recycling Program	Expand	See Attached.	Haulers	06/04	1
Commercial On-Site Pick-Up	Expand	See Attached.	Haulers	06/04	1
Total Estimated Diversion Percent From New and/or Expanded Programs					7
Current Diversion Rate Percent From Latest Annual Report					43
Total Planned Diversion Percent Estimated					50

PROGRAMS SUPPORTING DIVERSION ACTIVITIES

PROGRAM TYPE	NEW or EXPANDED	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE FULLY COMPLETED
County Procurement Policy	Expand	Coordinate with General Services to complete "buy recycled" policy	06/04
Public Education	Expand	Continue efforts to improve web-based recycling info, use of multi-media and printed materials to disseminate info on new/expanding programs, and targeting school field trips for K-12 to learn and use their own recycling facilities in their respective communities.	On-going

Section IV A - Plan of Correction County of Solano

For the purpose of this document, the unincorporated areas of Solano County will be referenced as Fairfield, Vacaville, and Vallejo. Fairfield encompasses the unincorporated areas around the Cities of Fairfield and Suisun City and is serviced by Solano Garbage Company (SGC). Vacaville encompasses the unincorporated areas around the Cities of Dixon and Vacaville and is serviced by Vacaville Sanitary Service (VSS). Vallejo encompasses the unincorporated areas around the City of Vallejo and is the ONLY unincorporated area in Solano County that operates under a franchise agreement that is held with Vacaville Sanitary Service (VSS).

During the period of 1995-1998, the Cities and County of Solano jointly submitted a petition to the CIWMB to re-set their base years from 1995 to 1998 in order to attain the AB 939 mandate of 50% diversion by the year 2000. This petition was approved and Solano County staff firmly believed that planned and existing programs would meet their goal.

During this time, residents of the Vallejo unincorporated area were displeased with the announcement that they would suffer the financial impacts to close the landfill in American Canyon where their waste had not historically been disposed of there. Instead, their waste had been going to a transfer station in Napa that was later hauled to Washington State. Thus, the Board of Supervisors instructed staff to begin advertisement of Requests for Proposals to franchise the unincorporated area of Vallejo. In 1996, Vacaville Sanitary Service was awarded the contract to service this area and continues to do so.

Solano County staff did not feel it was imperative to pursue contracts for the Fairfield and Vacaville areas during this time since both haulers were in the process of rolling-out new programs and services to all their customers in both the city limits and unincorporated areas. These new programs and services were directly related to the mandates of AB 939 in assisting all their jurisdictions to meet their goals. Unfortunately, during the roll-out, there were no predictors that could determine the obstacles we face today that do not encourage increased participation by the residents of Solano County's unincorporated areas.

Residential Curbside

In the Fairfield and Vallejo areas, commingled residential curbside is included as part of the garbage service offered by their respective hauler. Fairfield residents receive a 14 - gallon tub while Vallejo residents receive an 18-gallon tub. However, participation remains at only 45% for Fairfield and 60% for Vallejo.

In the Vacaville area, commingled residential curbside is not included as part of the garbage service, but is offered to residents for an additional \$3/month. Due to this being an additional cost, only 20% of these residents participate in the program.

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County staff is working with each hauler to expand the service of curbside recycling in order to increase participation. It has been determined that each of these three areas will require a different level of service and marketing since we are dealing with residents of different cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.

County staff is pursuing negotiations with each hauler to mimic their City-offered services to the unincorporated areas. For example, Solano Garbage Company offers its city residents varying sizes for their garbage container. However, included in that garbage rate is a choice of a 32 or 64-gallon recycling toter, too. If Solano Garbage Company is willing to change to this level of service, County staff expects participation to increase by at least 30% in the first year alone because these County residents have complained their recycling tub was too small and were not encouraged to participate as a result.

Special Collections (Seasonal)

Phone book recycling and Christmas tree recycling are two seasonal collections that County staff intends to increase by providing additional public drop-off sites and offering green waste service at the curb.

First, phone book recycling can provide substantial tonnage diversion considering one Solano County phone book is equal to 2.2 pounds. If curbside recycling efforts are stepped up as a result of negotiations with the haulers, residents in the unincorporated areas will be able to put their phone books in their residential curbside. However, this would not negate the fact that more public drop-off sites located at local libraries, community centers, and the community college could provide the convenience for those residents who do not participate in current curbside recycling efforts.

Second, Christmas tree recycling in these areas would be greatly increased if our efforts with the haulers to negotiate green waste at the curb is successful. However, in the meantime, County staff will be advertising the names of local community groups that these residents can contact to have their tree picked-up for a nominal fee or donation. County staff will arrange with the local landfills to provide drop-off of these trees to ensure mulching.

Residential Curbside - Green

In the Fairfield area, residential green waste is not offered, not even for a fee. In the Vacaville area, there is only a 25% participation rate because green waste is included only if the resident elects to pay the additional \$3/month for commingled residential curbside. In the Vallejo area, there is only a 35% participation rate and these residents receive a 96-gallon toter that is included as part of the regular garbage service.

County staff is working with each hauler to expand the service of residential green waste recycling at the curb, but as in the same instance as curbside recycling, it has been determined that each of these three areas require a different level of service and

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marketing since we are dealing with residents of different cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Again, County staff is pursuing negotiations with each hauler to mimic their City-offered services to the unincorporated areas. For example, Vacaville Sanitary Service offers its city residents a 96-gallon garbage toter and a 96-gallon green waste toter at the garbage rate price. If Vacaville Sanitary Service is willing to change to this level of service, County staff expects participation to increase by at least 50% in the first year alone because these County residents live on such large parcels that they feel justified in supporting this program if they only had the means at a comparable rate.

School Recycling Program

Solano Community College serves approximately 12,000 students and a staff of nearly 700, and growing. Currently, Solano Garbage Company services their garbage and recycling needs. However, after conducting a waste audit, County staff found that the College could increase its recycling efforts by 35% with the help of a targeted public education campaign and additional and more visible recycling containers throughout the campus.

With the financial support of the 2003-2004 DOC grant and the cooperation of Solano Garbage Company, County staff will begin coordination in January 2003 with Solano College's student government to prepare and launch a public education campaign for the Fall semester of 2003 to capture cardboard, mixed paper, and beverage containers.

Commercial On-Site Pick-Up

Commercial on-site pick-up of cardboard is currently at 25% in Fairfield, 10% in Vacaville, and 12% in Vallejo.

County staff intends to conduct a business audit to determine which businesses actually lie within the unincorporated areas. Once identified, staff will coordinate with each of the respective haulers to host a recycling workshop for businesses to better understand the monetary incentives to their garbage bills through increased recycling efforts on-site.

County staff expects to host this workshop in June 2003 and begin monitoring of their progresses thereafter.